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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDCI and DCI

VIA:

Director, Intelligence Community Staff

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FROM: Walter Elder
Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: DCI Directive on Foreign Language Training Committee

1. Action Requested: That you approve the attached DCI directive establishing the Foreign Language Training Committee.

2. Background: All NFIB and NFIC principals support the directive, and their comments have been incorporated into the attached draft.

NSA proposed a number of editorial changes designed to highlight the advisory role of the committee. These have been included. They are attached for your information.

In the same vein, CIA proposed a sentence to ensure that individual agencies retained control over their own language training programs. This concept has been added under Responsibilities of the Intelligence Community, as follows:

Individual Intelligence Community components will retain the responsibility for conducting their own language training programs.

3. Recommendation: I recommend you approve the directive as amended.

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Attachments
As StatedAPPROVED: /s/ William J. Casey

5 MAR 1982

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Director of Central Intelligence Directive
Foreign Language Training Committee

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 102, the National Security Act of 1947, and Executive Order 12333, there is established a Foreign Language Training Committee.

1. Mission

The mission of the Foreign Language Training Committee is to serve as the focal point within the Intelligence Community, and between the Intelligence Community and other elements of the United States Government, for all matters dealing with recruitment, training, and retention of personnel with requisite foreign language expertise to serve the needs of the Community.

2. Functions

Under the general guidance of the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, the Committee will:

- a. Apprise the DCI of the effectiveness of programs to recruit, train, and retain personnel with adequate foreign language competence for elements of the Intelligence Community.

b. Recommend to the DCI new initiatives to be undertaken to ensure the continuing availability within the Intelligence Community of requisite foreign language competence.

c. Coordinate replies to all queries from Congressional committees concerning the Community's overall foreign language competence.

d. Represent the Intelligence Community's interests in programs sponsored by other U.S. Government agencies and departments outside the Intelligence Community to improve foreign language studies in the nation's schools and universities.

e. Monitor approaches to the academic community for the training of Intelligence Community personnel in foreign languages to reduce unnecessary duplication and ensure that these programs serve Community as well as individual Agency interests.

f. Perform such other tasks as the DCI or DDCI may direct.

3. Responsibilities of the Intelligence Community

Intelligence Community components will keep the committee chairman advised of initiatives designed to facilitate the recruitment, training, and retention of personnel with foreign language training.

Individual Intelligence Community components will retain the responsibility for conducting their own language training programs.

4. Composition and Organization

The committee chairman will be appointed by the Director of Central Intelligence.

The members of the committee will be representatives designated by the Intelligence Community principals.

With the approval of the DCI, the committee chairman may invite representatives of relevant U.S. Government entities with national security interests to participate as appropriate.

The committee will be supported by an Executive Secretariat.

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence